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OUTLINE FOR MEMORANDUM

MEMORANDUM FOR THE NRP EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Utilization of U-2 Assets and
Future U-2 Programs

Present Programs

25X1 1. CIA -
Edwards

25X1 2. SAC -

Present Inventory

25X1 1. CIA -
Edwards 2
Lockheed 1

25X1 2. SAC -
Lockheed 2

3. Attrition Experience

Status of SAC Mod Program to U-2C Configuration

1. Number of Aircraft Completed
2. Schedule for Remaining Aircraft

Present Agreement of Force Levels

1. Maintain CIA at 9 Aircraft
2. Is This the Optimum Force Level for CIA and SAC?
3. What Capability Would Be Lost in SAC with the Transfer of 3 Aircraft?
4. What Would be CIA Utilization of 9 Aircraft?
5. Would CIA Take Over Training Requirement?

Present Operational Utilization

1. CIA - Previous 6 Months
Previous Year
2. SAC - Previous 6 Months
Previous Year

Can Present Assets Be Combined into One Common Pool?

1. Where?
2. What Are Operational Problems?
3. Who Would Establish Assignment Priorities?
4. Could USAF Airmen Deploy to Present Deployment Locations?
5. Could SAC Operations Be Extended into South China?
6. Sino-Indian Border?
7. Other World Areas Such as Middle East, Africa, South America?

Present Status of U-2 Assigned to AFSC

1. Number of Aircraft 4
2. Utilization of Aircraft
 - a. Programs
 - b. Flying time
3. What Programs Would Be Cut or Curtailed with Loss of One Aircraft?
4. With Loss of 2 Aircraft.
5. Time/Cost to Convert One Aircraft - 2 Aircraft

U-2R Program

1. Procurement Schedule
2. Costs
3. Assignment of Aircraft
 - a. CIA only?
 - b. SAC?
 - c. AFSC?
4. Disposition of Remaining U-2C - G's
5. Configuration of U-2R
 - a. Can all be 2-seat aircraft?
 - b. New payloads or SR-71 equipment?

Status of North Base - Edwards

1. If Present U-2's Are Assigned to Common Pool?
2. When New U-2R Becomes Available?
3. Manpower Problems?

Recommended Approach to U-2 Program

1. Present Assets
2. U-2R